

**BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
PUBLIC HEARING**

Thursday, December 10, 2009

**Department of Health Professions
9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor
Richmond, Virginia 23233**

CALL TO ORDER: The Virginia Board of Social Work convened a Public Hearing at 10:05 a.m. on proposed amendments to Regulation 18VAC140-20-50 to specify the educational requirements necessary to qualify a candidate to sit for the licensed clinical social work examination in Virginia.

PRESIDING: Catherine Moore, LCSW

OTHERS PRESENT: Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst
Catherine Chappell, Operations Manager, Board of Social Work

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Comment was received from Mark O'Shea, LCSW, Legislative Vice-President of the Virginia Society for Clinical Social Work. Mr. O'Shea expressed the Society's support of the regulatory changes to the education requirements for licensed clinical social workers. He referenced a recently published empirical study regarding the preparation of MSW students and their private practice career intentions which supported the Society's position.

Ms. Moore announced the deadline for submitting public comment and indicated that the Board will consider all comments received.

ADJOURNMENT The public hearing was closed at 10:12 a.m.

Catherine Moore, LCSW

Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

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